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Rome, Febr. 5. N. S.

THE 2d Inſtant was obſerved here as a Day of Publick Thankſgiving, for this City's being delivered from an Earthquake which happened in theſe Parts that Day was 4 Years. The Cardinal de la Tremouille having received by an Expreſs from France the News of the Birth of the Duke of Bretagne, had Audience of the Pope the next Day to acquaint him therewith. The Duke di Sora, Prince of Piombino, died the firſt Inſtant of a Fit of Apoplexy, in the 65th Year of his Age. They write from Naples, That they had begun to exact, with great Severity, the Tax of Two *per Cent.* that the Government there have laid upon all real Eſtates in that Kingdom, which falls very heavy upon the Landed Men in that Country, and adds to their general Diſlike of a French Government.

Venice, February 11. The Imperialiſts have poſted ſome Troops along the Po, to ſecure a conſiderable Convoy of Proviſions lately bought for their Uſe in the Mark of Ancona, which is to be brought by Sea to Mezzola, and thence up the Po to the Imperial Quarters. The French have lately ſeized a great Quantity of Corn belonging to the Duke of Parma and his Subjects, and carried it to Mantua: His Highneſs has ſent a Meſſage to Monſieur Medavi, deſiring it might be reſtored; but could obtain no other Satisfaction, than a Promiſe that it ſhould be paid for. The French Horſe in the Mantuan ſuffer extreamly for want of Hay and Forage, the Imperialiſts having cut off their Communication with all Places from whence they might be ſupplied therewith. Our Letters from Modena give an Account, That the Gariſon of the Caſtle of that Place being reduced to the laſt Extremity, Monſieur de la Barre, the Governor, had ſent out a Meſſage, with an Offer to ſurrender upon honourable Terms; but it was not accepted: And the Duke of Modena's Agent here has juſt now received Advice by an Expreſs, That his Highneſs having Notice ſent him that the Place was capitulating, left Bologna the 5th Inſtant, where he has reſided ſome time, and is returned to his Reſidence at Modena.

Milan, February 12. The Treaty for the Surrender of our Caſtle being entirely broken off, and our Magiſtrates having refuſed to renew the Ceſſation of Arms with the Gariſon there, and to ſupply them with Proviſions, they fired this Day ſome Cannon-ſhot againſt the Town, but have hitherto done us little Damage. The Imperialiſts in the mean time are working with all poſſible Application upon 4 Batteries, intending, as ſoon as they can be got ready, to attack the Caſtle with great Vigour. A French Lieutenant and 28 Men, who were ſent out this Morning to view a Poſt, came over to us, who report, That ſome ſort of Proviſions and other Neceſſaries grow very ſcarce there; and that in all probability the Place cannot hold out long.

Lemberg, Febr. 2. Several of the Nobility of Poland are come hither, to be at the opening of the Great Council which is ſummoned to meet here on the 7th Inſtant. Prince Dolhoniski is alſo come hither, in order to aſſiſt at this Aſſembly on the Part of the Czar of Muſcovy. Prince Menzicoff is continued in the chief Command of the Muſcovite Forces in theſe Parts.

Poſen, Febr. 9. The 6th Inſtant an Order of King Staniſlaus was publiſhed here, whereby all Subjects of this Kingdom are forbid, under very ſevere Penalties, to go to the Council at Lemberg, or to give any Countenance or Aſſiſtance to thoſe who, contrary to this Order, ſhall repair thither.

Cracow, Febr. 9. The Saxon Troops which were quartered here having been joined by thoſe that lay at Tycozin, they are marching together towards Saxony. Upon their evacuating this Place, the Crown General put into it a Gariſon of his Troops, which are ſtill here. We hear, that the Great Council ſummoned to ſit at Lemberg met for the firſt time the 7th Inſtant. The Muſcovite Troops continue their March towards the Weiſſel; and the Coſſacks commanded by General Czeremet, who are quartered in Volhinia, have alſo received Orders to march the ſame way.

Warſaw, Febr. 11. The 2d Inſtant 2000 Men of the Muſcovite Troops came to Praagh, and our Magiſtrates were obliged to furniſh them with Proviſions. The 4th, upon a Report that a Body of Swedes and Polanders was marching this way, the Muſcovites retired from Praagh; but being informed that this Report was groundleſs, they are ſince returned hither; and General Rheen, their Commander, has taken his Quarter in our Caſtle, into which he has put a Gariſon. The remainder of the Body under his Command, which conſiſts of about 20000 Foot, is expected here in a Day or two.

Vienna, Febr. 12. Prince Gaſton of Tuſcany and General Kirchbaum are lately arrived here from Italy. Letters from Presbourg give an Account, That the Imperial Forces commanded by General Staremberg, and thoſe under the Command of General Rabutin, are joined; and that, by the laſt Advices, they lay between Totis and Altenbourg. The Malecontents in the mean time continue to make Excurſions towards Presbourg and Raab.

Hague, Febr. 25. *N. S.* Yeſterday the States General appointed Monſieur Renſwoude to be one of their Deputies to reſide at Bruſſels. Monſieur Vandenberg is alſo named by the Council of State to remain there on their part; and they are both preparing for their Journey thither. The two Ambaſſadors from the Republick of Venice to Her Majeſty of Great Britain embarked yeſterday Morning at Rotterdam, with their Retinue, on board Her Majeſty's Yachts, and ſet Sail for England. Letters from Italy give an Account, That the Caſtle of Modena ſurrendred the 5th Inſtant, the Gariſon remaining Priſoners of War. We daily expect from Rome the News of the Pope's having confirmed the Election of the Biſhop of Paderborn to be Biſhop of Munſter: The Congregation appointed to examine that Affair was to aſſemble the 12th Inſtant; and by Letters from Vienna of that Date we have Advice, That the Emperor had two Days before diſpatched a Courier to Cardinal Grimani, with Directions not to make any further Oppoſition, or give any longer Delay to the Biſhop of Paderborn's being confirmed. Monſieur Guarient, who was ſent ſome time ago with the Character of Envoy Extraordinary from the Emperor to the Ottoman Porte, arrived at Belgrade the 21ſt paſt, in his Return to Vienna, having, at his Departure, received Aſſurances from the Grand Signior and his Miniſters, of their Reſolution to maintain the Peace of Carlowitz. Letters from Paris give an Account, That the Chevalier de Villars having carried a Reinforcement to Fort St. Philip in the Iſland of Minorca, which was hard preſſed by the Inhabitants of that Iſland, who had declared for King Charles III. he had relieved the Fort, and provided it with all Neceſſaries for its Defence. The ſame Letters add, That Sir Cloudeſly Shovell arrived before Alicant the 30th paſt with the Fleet under his Command, and the Land Forces commanded by his Excellency the Earl Rivers.

Falmouth, Febr. 15. On the 12th Inſtant ſailed hence the Expedition Packet-Boat, Captain Clyes Commander, for Lisbon. The 13th put in here the Green-Fiſh and Dove Doggers from Waterford, laden with Butter. Yeſterday came in 4 Coaſters from Plimouth, and two ſmall Veſſels from London, with the Noſtra Senioria del Roſario, Bartholomew d'Arnello Commander, bound from thence to Bilboa.

Plimouth, Febr. 16. The 13th Inſtant ſailed hence Her Majeſty's Ships the Lancaſter, Guernſey, Winchelſea, Child's-Play, and Elephant, and about 40 Sail of Ships bound for Ireland and the Weſt-Indies, and the Litchfield for St. Helena, the Great St. Chriſtopher for Cadiz, and the Antego Packet for the Weſt-Indies. At the ſame time came in the Jane of Jerſey from Lisbon, bound for London, a Dutch Ship from Rochell, and the William and Sarah of Boſton from Jamaica. The 14th came in the New-Judith from London, bound for Venice, and the Guernſey of this Place from Guernſey. This Evening were put back by contrary Winds the abovemention'd Men of War and Merchant Ships. The 15th came in the Dolphin of London, Captain Carnaby Commander, bound for Guinea, the Swallow for Plimouth from Guernſey, and a Dutch Ship from Bourdeaux. This Day came in a Swede for Rochell, and the Southampton Tranſport-ſhip bound for St. Maloes.

The Commiſſioners for Victualling Her Majeſty's Navy give Notice, That on Friday the 28th of this Inſtant February, in the Forenoon, they will be ready to receive Propoſals, and treat with ſuch Perſons as are willing to furniſh Hamborough Pipe and Hogſhead-Staves for Her Majeſty's Service at the Ports of London, Portſmouth, and Plimouth: And on Wedneſday the 12th of March next, in the Forenoon, they will be ready to receive Propoſals, and treat with

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